GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Prosecution – AIS – Sri Bhaskar Katamneni, IAS, Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari district – Sanction under Section 199 (4)(b) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for filing complaint by the Public Prosecutor in a competent court of law against the Editor of 'Sakshi' daily Newspaper for publishing baseless allegations – Modified orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SC.E) DEPARTMENT

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G.O.RT.No. 1698 Dated: 02-08-2018

Read the following:-

1. G.O. Rt. No. 868, General Administration (SC.E) Department, dt. 20.04.2018.
2. From the Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari district, D.O. Letter No.A4/34/2018(e-1264353), dated 22.6.2018.
3. From the Joint Director of Prosecutions and Additional Director of Prosecutions (FAC), Letter No. 246/B2/2018, dated 31.07.2018.

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ORDER:

In the G.O. first read above, the Government, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 199 (4)(b) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, accorded sanction to the concerned Public Prosecutor to make a complaint before the Competent Court against the Editor of 'Sakshi' daily Newspaper for publishing baseless allegation on acquisition of land for Polavaram Irrigation Project against Sri Bhaskar Katamneni, IAS, Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari district, as the allegations appear to be defamatory in nature and likely to cause harm to the reputation of the officer beyond redemption, and also mar the prestige and dignity of the Officer very badly.

2. In the circumstances reported in the references second and third read above, in partial modification of the orders issued at para-3 of the G.O. first read above, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 199 (4)(b) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, Government hereby accord sanction to the concerned Public Prosecutor to make a complaint before the compete Court against the following individuals for publishing baseless allegations against Sri Bhaskar Katamneni, IAS, Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari district in 'Sakshi' daily Newspaper on acquisition of land for Polavaram Irrigation Project:-

1. Jagati Publication Ltd.,
   Rep. by its Managing Director,
   Sri Sajjala Rama Krishna Reddy,
   Printer and Publisher of Sakshi Telugu Daily
   News Paper, Hyderabad, Telangana State

2. Sri Sajjala Rama Krishna Reddy,
   Managing Director, Jagathi Publications Ltd.,
   Printer and Publisher of Sakshi Telugu Daily
   News Paper, Hyderabad, Telangana

3. Sri K. Ramachandra Murthy,
   Editorial Director of Sakshi Telugu Daily News Paper,
   Printed and published on behalf of Jagathi
   Publications Ltd., Prathipadu Village, Pentapadu Mandal,
   W.G.District, Andhra Pradesh.

4. Sri V. Murali,
   Editor of Sakshi Telugu Daily News Paper,
   O/o Jagathi Publications Ltd.,
   Prathipadu Village, Pentapadu Mandal.
   W.G.District, Andhra Pradesh.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (POLL)

To
The Director of Prosecutions, A.P.
#24-19-12/A, Beside Post Office, Durgapuram, Vijayawada.
The Public Prosecutor, Prl. District & Sessions Judge Court, Eluru.
The Home Department.
Copy to:
Sri Bhaskar Katamneni, IAS, Collector & District Magistrate,
West Godavari district, Eluru.
The Law Department.

//FORWAREDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER (SC)